

Application No: 10/782,825
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated March 17, 2006. Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR 1.116 since the amendments place the application in condition for allowance by complying with a requirement of form expressly set forth in the previous office action. The amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented because the amendments were made on the basis of the office action dated March 17, 2006. Entry of the amendments is thus respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 4-6 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended claim 4 to independent form including all of the limitations of claim 1 from which claim 4 originally depended. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 4-6.

Claim Amendments

Claims 4-6 have been further amended for reasons unrelated to patentability, as they were patentable as of the previous office action. The further amendments include deleting reference characters to the figures and correcting misspellings.

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Objection to Drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a)

The drawings were objected to for failing to show elements set forth in claim 2. Claim 2 has been canceled rendering this objection moot.

Objection to the Specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(d)(1)

The specification was objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the subject matter of claim 2. Claim 2 has been canceled rendering this objection moot.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claim 1 has been canceled rendering this objection moot.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

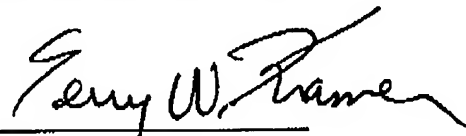
Claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the prior art. Claims 1-3 have been canceled rendering this objection moot.

While we believe that the instant amendment places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

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